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SUBJECT:

Multiple Denial of Service Vulnerabilities in Cisco Products

OVERVIEW:

Multiple vulnerabilities have been discovered in several Cisco products including Cisco Catalyst 4500E Series Switches, Cisco devices running Cisco IOS and Cisco IOS EX, as well as Cisco's Unified Communications Manager.

Successful exploitation of these vulnerabilities could result in denial of service conditions or reboot the affected device.

SYSTEMS AFFECTED:

Cisco Catalyst 4500E Series Switch with Cisco Catalyst Supervisor Engine 7L-E

Cisco IOS

Cisco IOS EX 3.2.xXO

Cisco Unified Communications Manager 6.x, Cisco Unified Communications Manager 7.x, Cisco Unified Communications Manager 8.x

RISK:

Government:

Large and medium government entities: High

Small government entities: High

Businesses:

Large and medium business entities: High

Small business entities: High

Home users: N/A

DESCRIPTION:

Multiple Cisco products are vulnerable to a remote Denial of Service condition. The details of each vulnerable Cisco product are provided below.

Cisco Operating Systems

The Cisco operating systems affected by these vulnerabilities are Cisco IOS and Cisco IOS EX, which run on a variety of Cisco networking devices. To determine if your version of IOS is affected, please visit the following site: http://tools.cisco.com/security/center/selectIOSVersion.x

To exploit these vulnerabilities, an attacker needs to create a specially crafted packet that, when processed, may result in the denial of service conditions. The details of the vulnerabilities are as follows:

Improper handling of a malformed attribute from a peer on an existing BGP session can cause all BGP sessions to reset and to cause an inability to route packets to BGP,

resulting in a denial-of-service condition. This issue is being tracked by Cisco bug IDs CSCtt35379, CSCty58300, CSCtz63248, and CSCtz62914(CVE-2012-4617).

Improper handling of a specially crafted DHCP packet by the Device Sensor feature in Cisco IOS can cause

the device to crash, resulting in a denial-of-service condition.

This issue being tracked by Cisco bug ID CSCty96049 (CVE-2012-4621).

Improper handling of a specially crafted packet sent to a device running a vulnerable version of Cisco IOS configured with DHCP version 6 may cause the DHCP server to

crash, resulting in a denial-of-service condition. This issue is being tracked by Cisco bug ID CSCto57723 (CVE-2012-4623)

Improper handling of a specially crafted DNS (Domain Name System) packet sent to a device running a vulnerable version of Cisco IOS with an affected Cisco IOS IPS

configuration can cause the device to reload, resulting in a denial-of-service condition. This issue is being tracked by Cisco Bug ID CSCtw55976 (CVE-2012-3950).

Improper handling of a specially crafted UDP Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) packet sent to port 5060 on a device running a vulnerable version of Cisco IOS with the NAT

SIP ALG feature enabled can cause the device to reload, resulting in a denial-of-service condition. This issue is being tracked by Cisco bug ID CSCtn76183 (CVE-2012 4618).

Improper handling of a specially crafted SIP message that contains a valid Session Description Protocol (SDP) message sent to a device running a vulnerable version of

Cisco IOS EX, which is configured to process SIP messages and for pass-through of Session Description Protocols (SDP) can cause the device to reload, resulting in a

denial-of-service condition. This issue being tracked by Cisco bug IDs CSCtj33003, CSCtw84664 and CSCtw66721 (CVE-2012-3949).

Improper handling of specially crafted ingress IP tunneled packets sent to a device running a vulnerable version of Cisco IOS may consume all available space in the

affected interface queue, resulting in a denial-of-service condition. This issue is being tracked by Cisco bug ID CSCts66808 (CVE-2012-4620).

Cisco Catalyst Switches

Cisco Catalyst Switches are Cisco's network switch product line of modular and fixed configuration switches.

4500E Series Switches with Cisco Catalyst Supervisor Engine 7L-E are prone to a remote Denial of Service vulnerability. To exploit the vulnerabilities, an attacker needs to

create a specially crafted packet that, when processed, may result in a denial of service condition. This issue being tracked by Cisco bug ID CSCty88456 (CVE-2012-4622).

Cisco Unified Communications Manager

Cisco Unified Communications Manager is the call-processing component of the Cisco IP Telephony solution that extends enterprise telephony features and functions to packet telephony network devices, such as IP phones, media processing devices, VoIP gateways, and multimedia applications.

To exploit the vulnerabilities in the Cisco UCM, an attacker needs to create a to reload specially crafted packet that, when processed, may result in the denial of service conditions. The details of the vulnerabilities are as follows:

Improper handling of a specially crafted SIP message that contains a valid Session Description Protocol (SDP) message sent to a device running a vulnerable version of

Cisco UCM, which is configured to process SIP messages and for pass-through of Session Description Protocols (SDP) can cause the device to reload, resulting in a denial

of-service condition. This issue being tracked by Cisco bug IDs CSCtj33003, CSCtw84664 and CSCtw66721 (CVE-2012-3949).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The following actions should be taken:

· Upgrade vulnerable Cisco products immediately after appropriate testing.

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